# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO

### SANDRA RODRÍGUEZ-COTTO; RAFELLI GONZÁLEZ-COTTO

Plaintiffs,

v.

WANDA VÁZQUEZ-GARCED, Governor of Puerto Rico; INÉS DEL C. CARRAU MARTÍNEZ, Interim Secretary of Justice of Puerto Rico; PEDRO JANER, Secretary of the Department of Public Safety of Puerto Rico; HENRY ESCALERA, Commissioner of the Puerto Rico Police Bureau, all in their official capacities

Defendants.

CIVIL No. 20-01235 (PAD)

**RE:** Preliminary and Permanent Injunction

#### **INFORMATIVE MOTION**

#### TO THE HONORABLE COURT:

COME NOW, co-defendants Wanda Vázquez-Garced, Governor of Puerto Rico; Inés del C. Carrau-Martínez,¹ Interim Secretary of Justice of Puerto Rico; Pedro Janer, Secretary of the Department of Public Safety of Puerto Rico; and, Henry Escalera, Commissioner of the Puerto Rico Police Department, all in their official capacities, without waiving any right or defense arising from Title III of *Puerto Rico Oversight, Management and Economic Stability Act* ("PROMESA"), 48 U.S.C. §§2101 *et seq.*, and the Commonwealth's Petition under said Title or under this case and without submitting to the Court's jurisdiction, and through the undersigned attorney, very respectfully **STATE** and **PRAY** as follows:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Originally, the Complaint was filed against then-Secretary of Justice, Dennise N. Longo-Quiñones. However, since Attorney Longo-Quiñones resigned, she has been automatically substituted as a party by Hon. Inés del C. Carrau-Martínez, Interim Secretary of Justice. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 25(d).

- 1. On July 1, 2020, the Court held a *Status Conference* in which Defendants informed that Senate Bill No. 1582 was passed by the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico's Legislature and that the Governor had a constitutional term of thirty (30) days to sign it into law. *See* Docket No. 33 at 1. Defendants accurately represented to the Court that Senate Bill No. 1582 would be signed into law and that it was not a matter of *if* but of *when* the Governor would do so. *Id*. Consequently, the Court ordered the parties to file a motion to inform if said bill was signed into law. *Id*. at 3.
- 2. Defendants hereby inform that Hon. Wanda Vázquez-Garced, Governor of Puerto Rico, signed Senate Bill No. 1582 into law on July 13, 2020. Thus, Senate Bill No. 1582 became Act No. 66-2020, which substantially amended Section (a) and suppressed Section (f) of Article 6.14 of the *Puerto Rico Public Safety Department Act*, Act No. 20-2017.

WHEREFORE, the Defendants request that the Court **notes** that Senate Bill No. 1582 was signed into law on July 13, 2020.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the undersigned attorney electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court, which will send notification of such filing to the parties subscribing to the CM/ECF System.

#### RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July 2020.

# INÉS DEL C. CARRAU-MARTÍNEZ

Interim Secretary of Justice

## WANDYMAR BURGOS-VARGAS

Deputy Secretary in Charge of Litigation

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